

HARDING ACCEPTS LEAGUE CHALLENGE

Perkins, Financier, Is Dead

BANKER IS
VICTIM OF
OVERWORK

Lines Traced to War
Work—Firm Roose-
velt Supporter.

Washington, June 18.—Senator Harding, Republican presidential nominee, today sent a telegram of condolence to Mrs. George W. Perkins upon the death of her husband.

"Please permit me to send you in this moment of sorrow, my deep sympathy," the telegram read. "The country has lost a useful citizen and the Republican party an outstanding personality."

New York, June 18.—George W. Perkins, financier, died this morning in the Stamford hall sanatorium, Stamford, Conn.

It became known June 11, that Mr. Perkins had suffered a nervous breakdown, but members of his family did not intimate at that time that his life was in danger.

The affection to which Mr. Perkins succumbed is believed to have been the result of influenza and pneumonia, contracted while serving with the Y. M. C. A. in France, during the war.

Result of Overwork.

A statement by the dead financier's physicians said death resulted from an attack of "acute inflammation of the brain, the result of complete nervous exhaustion to the intense and continuous overwork" the announcement said.

Mr. Perkins was taken to Stamford about 10 days ago when his wife, Mrs. George W. Perkins, Jr., announced the change was made to send his father a complete rest in a sanatorium, where he was to be under the care of the sanatorium's medical staff.

Mr. Perkins, when he was informed of Mrs. Perkins' death, said: "I am deeply distressed at the news of Mr. Perkins' death. He was a friend for more than 20 years and a very active partner for 10 years."

Father of Profit-Sharing.

George Walbridge Perkins, for 10 years a member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., was reputed to be the first suggested to and persuaded "big business" to adopt profit-sharing, insurance, service bonuses, sick benefits and old-age pensions.

Perkins who was also the first to have inaugurated the plan which permitted employees of the United States Steel corporation and the International Harvester company, in both of which he was at one time an executive, to purchase stock on installments and at less than market value on the assumption that "industrial justice is the most profitable of investments, that justice promotes peace, peace promotes prosperity and that the worker's prosperity is necessary to the prosperity of the business community."

Native of Chicago, Mr. Perkins was born in Chicago January 31, 1862, a descendant of Joseph Perkins, an English ancestor who settled in Boston in 1631. His father, George W. Perkins, long engaged in the shipping industry at Chicago, was the pioneer in the insurance field. The son entered the insurance business in Chicago when 15 as a clerk, became a bookkeeper, an agent and subsequently manager of a Cleveland office. He went to Denver and in 1893 was made vice president of the New York Life Insurance

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MOTOR CRASH

AT CAMP GRANT

KILLS 1; 2 HURT

Camp Grant, Ill., June 18.—One man was killed and two others injured, one seriously, when an army motorcycle crashed into a group of soldiers on a Camp Grant highway last Wednesday night, it was announced today.

The soldier killed was Private Joseph Kipps, 24, of the 16th machine gun battalion. He died last night at the camp hospital of skull fracture.

Private Kelly Lance, 3rd machine gun battalion, was seriously hurt.

He was riding in the side car of a motorcycle. The soldiers were on the guard thrown down the camp following the shooting of Mrs. Maude M. Moss, wife of Captain LeRoy M. Moss.

OVERTAXATION OF
ENERGY FATAL TO
OLD BULL MOOSE

GEORGE W. PERKINS.

G. A. R. ELECTS
PEORIAN HEAD
OF THIN HOST

Joliet, Ill., June 18.—E. N. Armstrong of Peoria was today named department commander of the G. A. R. at the 64th annual encampment here. Other officers are:

Senior vice commander—E. W. Willard, Joliet.

Junior vice commander—George W. Huntoon, Waukegan.

Medical director—W. N. Hanna, Aurora.

Chaplain—John Lemon, Springfield.

There are 3,000 delegates from the G. A. R. and auxiliary organizations, in attendance.

The session which began Wednesday, closes tonight. Galesburg was endorsed for the 1921 convention.

Carl S. Spaulding of Rockford was elected commander of the Sons of Veterans; Frank L. Childs of Chicago, vice commander, and W. H. Miller of Champaign, junior vice commander.

Mrs. Mae Cupp of Dixon was elected president of the Ladies of the G. A. R., after a close contest against Mrs. Catherine Swickard of Chicago.

S. O. V. Auxiliary. Sons of Veterans auxiliary officers are:

Mrs. Emma J. Wolf, Rockford, president.

Mrs. Orlene King, Joliet, vice president.

Charlotte Holbrook, Dwight, treasurer.

Sarah Vance of Chicago was named commander of the Daughters of the G. A. R., Louise Nelson, Chicago, senior vice; Cora Sloan, Waukegan, junior vice.

Woman's Relief Corps. Anna Relleis, Aurora, president; Serelda Cunningham, Galesburg, senior vice; Edith Taylor, Elgin, junior vice; Minnie M. Nichols, Chicago, treasurer.

Daughters of Veterans. Mrs. Mary Holmes, Chicago, president; Mrs. Helen Daily, Aurora, as senior vice; Mrs. Josephine Flood, Chicago, junior vice; Mrs. Lotta Cawrey, Peoria, secretary.

TOBACCO PLANNING
TO PROTECT 'WEED'
FROM ANTI DRIVES

Atlantic City, N. J., June 18.—Plans for placing the anti-tobacco organizations on the defensive, were launched at the opening sessions of the nineteenth annual convention of the United States Tobacco associations here announced.

"We do not intend to be placed on the defensive as were the liquor men," said T. M. Carrington of Richmond, Va., president of the associations.

Reports showed that there has been a great increase in cigarette smoking while the consumption of cigars has remained stationary.

FEAR KEEPS
REPUBLICAN
LINE SOLID

Minimizes Chances of
Heavy Desertion for a
Third Ticket.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.

(Special to The Argus.)

Minneapolis, Minn., June 18.—Republicans here are asking many pertinent questions about the Chicago convention. Was Harding the best the convention could pick?

How much did Penrose have to do with it? Why wasn't Leamont named vice president, and is Harding a conservative who does his own thinking or is he a conservative who takes advice from others?

The younger element in the Republican party is plainly disappointed, and, as one Republican editor expressed it, much explaining will have to be done. But he felt they would understand as soon as they were given a comprehensive story of the true situation at Chicago; how an agreement on a dark horse was the only way out of the deadlock.

Some Minnesota men are frankly prejudiced against Harding. They admit they have much to learn about the personality of the man and are willing to be convinced, yet one who was at the Chicago convention said he didn't like the way Harding went around in the early hours of Saturday morning last and electioneered for himself among his senatorial friends who had influence with different delegations. Still that may be senatorial jealousy.

Fear Too Much Conservatism. This part of the country seems to be prepared for an old-fashioned campaign, but some Republicans of the younger and more progressive type hope it will not be too old-fashioned with too much of an appeal to the conservative forces in our social system lest the north-west be driven to a more liberal candidate elsewhere.

But the most interesting thing about the Harding candidacy is that, however much it is disliked, the moment one mentioned the possibility of supporting the Democratic ticket there is a shudder of disdain among these Republicans, which shows that partisan feeling is rather acute hereabouts. Many are already coming to Harding without even knowing whom the Democrats will select at San Francisco and what the platform will be.

There is an expectation that the Democratic platform will be much more liberal than that framed by the Republicans, but the reaction against the Wilson administration has, unfortunately for the Democrats, precluded in many cases even the possibility of weighing the respective candidates and their platforms impartially. There is mostly an impatience to have a

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LATE BULLETINS

Springfield, Ill., June 18.—Politicians, recovering from the knockout blow dealt by the Supreme Court Wednesday, in killing the primary law, today planned for the election of new Republican and Democratic state committees and new state conventions.

Washington, June 18.—Bainbridge Colby, secretary of state, is regarded by most Democratic leaders in Washington, as the most likely choice for permanent chairman of the national convention at San Francisco.

Newport, R. I., June 18.—For the third successive time, weather conditions today forced postponement of the ninth race between the Resolute and Vandalia for the right to defend America's cup against Shamrock IV, next month.

Fargo, N. D., June 18.—"No wet" governor from New Jersey will ever be Democratic candidate for president," declared William Jennings Bryan, speaking in Fargo, last night.

St. Joseph, Mo., June 18.—When the Omaha St. Louis express on the Washburn was derailed at Silver City, Iowa, today William Rogers, the engineer was killed, and Tom Brown, fireman, was injured. Several passengers were slightly hurt.

St. Louis, Mo., June 18.—The American Red Cross Express Co. today placed an embargo on outbound shipments from St. Louis, except those of parcels and funeral supplies.

DETROIT BEATS
CLEVELAND FOR
4TH U. S. CITY

Replaces Five Cities Since 1910—
Cleveland Jumps St. Louis and
Boston For Fifth Place.

Washington, June 18.—Detroit, with a numerical increase and rate of growth larger than Chicago's and second only to New York's during the last 10 years, is now fourth largest city of the country, displacing St. Louis and out-ranking Boston, Cleveland, Baltimore, and Pittsburgh, all of which were larger than the Michigan city 10 years ago.

Detroit's 1920 population, announced today by the census bureau is 993,739, an increase of 527,973, or 53.4 per cent.

Of the 10 largest cities of 100,000 or more which has more than doubled its population in the last 10 years.

Cleveland in Fifth. Cleveland has outstripped St. Louis and Boston and takes rank as fifth largest city. The Ohio city had the fifth largest numerical increase of any municipality in the country during the last 10 years, its increase having been exceeded only by New York, Chicago, Detroit and Los Angeles. Cleveland's population exceeds that of St. Louis by 23,000, and that of Boston by 50,000, its total being 796,536.

With announcement of the populations of Cleveland and Detroit, the definite ranking of the country's 18 largest cities has been established. New York and Chicago remain first and second largest cities, respectively.

No Count For Philly. Philadelphia is the only one of the 18 whose 1920 population has not been announced but it is expected to retain its rank as third city. Detroit had jumped into fourth place and Cleveland into fifth, forcing St. Louis into sixth, Boston seventh, Baltimore eighth, and Pittsburgh ninth.

Los Angeles advanced from 17th to 10th in 1920, displacing Buffalo, as well as attaining the honor of being the largest city west of St. Louis. San Francisco retained 11th rank, and Buffalo dropped from 10th to 12th; while Milwaukee was forced into 13th place.

SHOT FIRED IN
QUINCY STRIKE

Quincy, Ill., June 18.—The first shot of the present labor troubles was fired here this morning when a bullet came crashing through the Wells Fargo mill plant, where men are on strike. No one was hurt.

The company has applied for an injunction restraining the men from picketing or interfering with employees.

The restraining order is similar in tone to the one granted the American Strawboard company on Thursday, which appeared to have the effect of keeping down any further riotous demonstrations on the street.

ALBANIANS SLAY
330 ITALIANS, SAYS
BELGRADE REPORT

Geneva, June 18.—Three hundred and thirty Italian prisoners have been killed by infuriated Albanians at Tirana, according to a telegram from Belgrade, quoting reports reaching that city.

It is said the Albanians were maddened by news of the assassination of Essad Pasha, former provisional president of Albania, in Paris, early this week and attributed his death to Italian intrigue.

Anxiety is expressed concerning the fate of more than 2,000 Italian officers and men captured by Albanians in the fighting before Avlona, where the struggle is still going on.

THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Saturday. Not much change in temperature.

Highest yesterday, 67; lowest last night, 52.

Wind velocity at 7 a. m., 9 miles per hour.

Precipitation last 24 hours, none.

12 m. 7 p. m.: a. m. yesterday, yesterday, today.

Dry bulb temp., 64 63 63

Wet bulb temp., 54 54 52

Relative humid., 54 53 68

River stage, 6.2, a rise of 1 in last 24 hours.

River forecast—Slowly rising stages in the Mississippi will prevail from below Dubuque to Minneapolis during the next week or ten days.

J. M. SEEBER, Meteorologist.

Figures in Elwell Murder Mystery



Left, Miss Marie Larsen, housekeeper for Joseph B. Elwell, the slain New York clubman. The police are questioning Mrs. Larsen regarding the visits of women to Elwell's apartment. Middle, William H. Barnes, secretary to Elwell, who is assisting the police materially. Right, Richard Elwell, the son, a student at Andover, who has been disbarred by his father's will.

Wilson, Although Weak
In Body, Has Not Lost
His Punch for Beliefs

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Washington, June 18.—Nine months of courageous battling to repair the consequences of illness resulting from the prodigious work which all earnest men draw upon their balance in the bank of nature, has neither daunted the spirit nor impaired in the slightest degree the splendid intellect of Woodrow Wilson.

The president has paid in the flesh. There is no doubt about that. But with sublime courage he fought while he lay almost physically helpless. Now that his complete restoration to health seems assured, he fights with determined purpose to bring America to what he considers its sense of duty to the rest of the world by the fullest realization of his own duty to America.

Violence and Courage Intact. Mr. Wilson's vision and courage through these nine months of illness have served to make him the more determined that justice and right (as he appraises them) shall prevail throughout the world if every force of influence at his command can accomplish it.

These are the outstanding impressions that I brought from a three-hour visit on Tuesday last, to the best-loved and most hated man in the world, and of half an hour's call on Wednesday.

Regarding the nominees the president declined to make any comment beyond expressing the belief that the gentlemen selected "admirably harmonized" with the platform.

"Flattered" Being Issue. "I suppose I should feel flattered," he said with a twinkle in his eye, "over being made the issue of the presidential campaign by the Republican party. But even the effort of the platform makers at Chicago to confer the distinction of being not only a burning but a living issue by camouflaging and obscuring the real issues will not deceive the people."

"The processes by which the Chicago platform was accomplished seemed to me to have been essentially and scientifically Prussian in inspiration and method. Instead of quoting Washington and Lincoln have quoted Bismarck and Bernhardt, because the Republican attitude regarding the supreme issue that cannot be abandoned or disregarded, strongly suggests 'the arbitrary influences that dictated the doctrines of those two eminent persons.'"

To Accept League Issue. "I am extremely confident that the Democratic convention at San Francisco will welcome the acceptance by the Republican party of my invitation to make the League of Nations the issue of the campaign. I am even more confident that such a referendum will confirm my faith that the American people desire it above anything that a political party may now provide and that they will condemn the Republican policy of denying them the consummation of their hopes. No one will welcome a referendum on that issue more than I."

"This thing (the League of Nations) lies too deep to permit of any political skulduggery, any attempt to sidestep or evade moral and humanitarian responsibilities much too solemn to treat so lightly or ignore."

G. O. P. Not For World. "The Republican policy of negotiation has been persisted in for the sole purpose of advancing Republicanism."

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ELWELL CLUES
KEEP SLEUTHS
HOT ON TRAIL

Housekeeper and Chauffeur Called
to Throw Light on Sports-
man's Murder.

(By United Press.)
New York, June 18.—Police today were still without a definite clue as to who murdered Joseph Bowne Elwell, whist expert and turtleneck, found dying in a chair in his home here a week ago.

Victor von Schlegel and his divorced wife, Viola Kraus, were questioned until late last night, District Attorney Edward Swann announced.

Von Schlegels Freed. After examining Von Schlegel six hours at the district attorney's office, he was taken to his apartment and further questioned. A revolver found in the apartment was rusty and had not been used recently.

Miss Kraus was examined in her apartment. She was with Elwell the day of the murder and had an engagement with him for the following day.

Assistant District Attorney Dooling, who questioned Miss Kraus, said "she was entirely vindicated" with having any connection with the affair.

Important information was furnished authorities by Miss Kraus, Dooling said.

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Seek Next Convention. Denver, Los Angeles, and Birmingham, Ala., are candidates for the next convention.

The federation today authorized a nation-wide campaign to organize all the telephone operators.

The convention declared its action was necessary because of "the operatives' anti-labor policy of the Bell Telephone company and its associated companies."

Reconsidering its action yesterday in amendment of its constitution to increase the executive council from 11 to 15 members, the convention rejected the amendment by a vote of 23,097 to 13,241. This action prevented the election of four additional vice presidents.

ARMENIA-TURKISH
SQUABBLE WANING

London, June 18.—Negotiations between the Turkish-Anatolian republic and Armenia are proceeding favorably and an agreement is expected shortly, says a Moscow dispatch to the Herald, which says the soviet government is acting as a mediator.

The question of guaranteeing Armenia against Turkish attacks will probably be reached.

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London, June 18.—William T. Tilden of Philadelphia, beat Zeno Shimidzu of Japan, 6-1, 6-1; and William M. Johnston of San Francisco, United States singles champion, defeated Major Dudley, 6-3, 6-3, in the semi-finals of the London lawn tennis championship tournament here today.

By these victories America has won the singles championship. It only remains to be seen whether Johnston or Tilden is the better man in the finals tomorrow.

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AGREES TO
PUT ISSUE
TO VOTERS

G. O. P. to Welcome Wilson
Def on Foreign
Policy, He Says.

Hoover for G. O. P.

Washington, June 18.—Endorsing in the main the action of the Republican national convention at Chicago, Herbert Hoover in a letter to friends, made public today, after he had conferred with Senator Harding, the Republican presidential nominee, called upon all elements of the party to support the national ticket at the polls.

Mr. Hoover declared that "the greater part of the Chicago platform is constructive and progressive," and that "nothing prevents the compromise plans on labor, the league, etc., from being given a forward-looking interpretation. He added, however, that 'some things, including a reorganization of our election expenditures and the primaries, are not adequately dealt with.'"

"Nothing could be more disastrous than the development of several party organizations representing the complexion of every group in the country. If we should come to this position, we shall be entirely ruled by log rolling minorities or sterile political coalitions."

Washington, June 18.—Senator Harding, in his daily talk to newspapers, referred briefly to his conference with Mr. Hoover.

"We discussed the political situation extensively and I think with a great degree of satisfaction," he said.

Among the senator's callers today was Robert W. Shingle, Republican national committeeman from Hawaii, who discussed with the nominee portions of the platform relating to home rule for that territory.

Washington, June 18.—President Wilson's challenge to submit the peace treaty to a referendum of the American people was accepted today by Senator Harding, the Republican presidential candidate.

"I am sure," said Senator Harding, "the Republican party will gladly welcome a referendum on the question of the foreign relationship of this republic and the Republican attitude of preserved nationality will be overwhelmingly endorsed."

Reply to Wilson. Senator Harding's statement was in reply to the interview with President Wilson, published today, in which the president discussed the league of nations issue and the Republican platform.

Herbert Hoover, whose name was voted on to the last at the Republican convention, had breakfast today with Senator Harding at the senator's invitation.

Ohio Chief a Caller. George Clarke, of Canton, Ohio, chairman of the Ohio state Republican advisory committee, called on Senator Harding today to lay before him plans for the Ohio campaign. Republicans in that state, he declared, were ready to go ahead as soon as the Republican nominee had endorsed the plan.

HARDING ONCE
HAD STOCK IN
BREWERY, HINT

Chicago, June 18.—Warren G. Harding, Republican presidential nominee, formerly owned stock in a brewery, according to a statement issued by Virgil Hinshaw at prohibition national headquarters here today.

The statement adds that Harding voted for the federal prohibition amendment, and voted for the Volstead act over the president's veto.

Harding's secretary replied to a telegram asking him to define his stand, that the country would make no statement until after he had delivered his acceptance speech.

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